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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDP

FROM: Stanley J. Grogan, Asst. to the DCI

25X1A9a 1. I had a telephone call from Jake Mogelever of the Treasury Department who said he was acting for Tyrone Power of COPA Productions, Inc., 270 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California. They would like to get from CIA anything we may be able to release on the NKVD, any case histories, etc., that could be used in a motion picture by Mr. Power. I told Mr. Mogelever that I was sorry we had nothing that could be furnished to help out in this proposed project but that he might find [REDACTED] "Soviet Espionage" worth reading as part of the research. Ted Richmond, partner of Power in COPA Productions, under date of January 9, 1958 writes to me as follows:

Mr. Jake Mogelever of the Treasury Department told me he contacted you in our behalf regarding required information on NKVD.

For your information, we have in our possession a book called "Soviet Secret Police" by Simon Wolin and Robert M. Slusser. I don't know if you are familiar with this book or not, but it was published in late 1957. It tells the evolution of the secret police right down to its post-war activities. It is a very informative book, one I am sure could provide us with all the necessary information or material for an authentic motion picture.

I thought possibly your office could supply us with information that is no longer of any value to your department. It goes without saying we would not be asking for material that would be highly classified and you must know we would fictionalize some of the material in order to make the picture entertaining as well as informative.

At your suggestion, we will get the new book "Soviet Espionage" but would ask you to again reconsider our original request.

2. Does DDP have any information that we could pass on to Mr. Richmond?

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cc: Dir/Sec  
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